Met Office Mountain Weather Forecast

Brecon Beacons National Park

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Saturday 25 Mar 2023 until 23:59 on Sunday 26 Mar 2023

Forecast Issued on Friday 24 Mar 2023 at 14:29

Confidence: High confidence for the blustery, showery conditions. Decreasing confidence for the extent and timing of frontal band Saturday night. Higher confidence for more settled and drier conditions later on Sunday and early next week. High confidence in the frontal system approaching through Tuesday, although timing subject to some uncertainty.

Headline for Saturday 25 Mar 2023: Sunny spells and showers, with more prolonged sunny spells later. Easing winds.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 25 Mar 2023

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales Medium Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Low Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Medium Likelihood
Thunderstorms Low Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 600m

Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light rain showers (night)	Heavy rain showers (night)	Light rain showers (night)	Cloudy	Light rain showers	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Cloudy
Precipitation probability							
40%	70%	40%	10%	40%	10%	<05%	10%

Forecast for Saturday 25 Mar 2023

Weather: Cloudy with frequent showers overnight, some of which may be heavy with some hail, and perhaps the odd rumble of thunder is possible. Strong winds during the night and early in the morning will enhance the risk of the chill effect and will also mean that any showers will pass relatively quickly. During the morning, there will be some bright or sunny spells and a scattering of showers, which could once again be heavy at times. Showers easing into the afternoon with some longer brighter spells and less, or very little, cloud. Strong winds to start, with the risk of overnight gales but winds easing and becoming light by late afternoon. After a clearer afternoon, cloud will thicken from the south during the evening and there is the risk of more persistent rain moving in from the south overnight.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 600m: Overnight and through the morning, cloud bases will be variable because of the mix of sunny spells and showers. There is a 30-50% chance of cloud-free tops, with a lower probability in frequent showery spells. For a time during the afternoon, a 70% chance of cloud-free hill tops above 600m before the risk of rain later in the evening, where the chance of cloud-free hill tops will reduce quickly.

Low cloud and visibility: Scattered cloud below 600m is likely at times, especially in any heavy showers overnight and through the morning. Cloud should clear relatively quickly after any showers as a result of the strong winds, where the visibility will improve. Overall good visibility, but moderate in showers and poor at times in heavy downpours. Later in the afternoon, once most showers have cleared, good to excellent visibility expected. This reducing overnight as a result of cloud and the risk of rain.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	32/44 W	29/40 W	26/37 W	27/37 W	25/35 W	20/29 W	11/17 SW	9/13 SE	12/19 SE
300	20/41 W	19/38 W	17/35 W	18/35 W	17/33 W	14/26 W	7/16 SW	5/10 SE	7/14 E
Valley	18/40 W	17/38 W	16/35 W	16/34 W	14/31 W	12/25 W	7/16 SW	5/11 E	6/14 E

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	4/-3	4/-3	4/-2	4/-2	6/1	7/2	5/2	5/2	4/-0
300	6/1	6/1	6/1	7/2	9/6	10/7	8/5	6/4	6/3
Valley	7/3	6/2	6/2	8/4	10/7	10/8	8/6	6/5	6/4
Freezing Level*	1100m	1100m	1100m	1200m	1200m	1200m	1100m	1200m	1200m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Although winds generally easing through the day, still the risk of gusts in any showers, especially heavy showers.

Recent rainfall: measured at Neuadd: altitude 353m

Recorded at	Last 24 hours:	Last 48 hours:	Last 72 hours:
15:00 on Thu 23 Mar 2023	7.4mm	26.2mm	38.6mm

Forecast for Sunday 26 Mar 2023

Weather: A band of cloud and a risk of persistent rain overnight, with perhaps some heavy downpours at times. Any rain easing through the morning, though remaining cloudy. A clearer afternoon with prolonged bright or sunny spells, and a low risk of an isolated shower possible. Light to moderate winds.

Maximum wind: East south-easterly winds, backing north-easterly through the morning, with speeds generally between 15-20 mph and gusts between 20-25 mph, perhaps the odd isolated gust up to 30 mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 600m: 10-30% to start as persistent rain during the morning. 70% in the afternoon, with a risk of the odd isolated shower.

Low cloud and visibility: Scattered or broken cloud layers during the morning, with some potentially forming around 600m in any persistent rain. Cloud becoming patchy later as the risk of rain eases, and most cloud clearing as frontal band moves southwards. Moderate to poor visibility to start in association with cloud and rain, turning good to excellent by late afternoon. Perhaps moderate at times with the risk of an isolated shower later.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 2 rising to 9 Celsius.
At 600m: Plus 2 rising to 3 Celsius.
Freezing level: Above all summits.

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